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MISSION COVERAGE INDEX

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MISSIONS [REDACTED] 1289, 1296 -12 DECEMBER 1964

MISSION [REDACTED] 1301 - 14 DECEMBER 1964

MISSION [REDACTED] 1290 - 15 DECEMBER 1964

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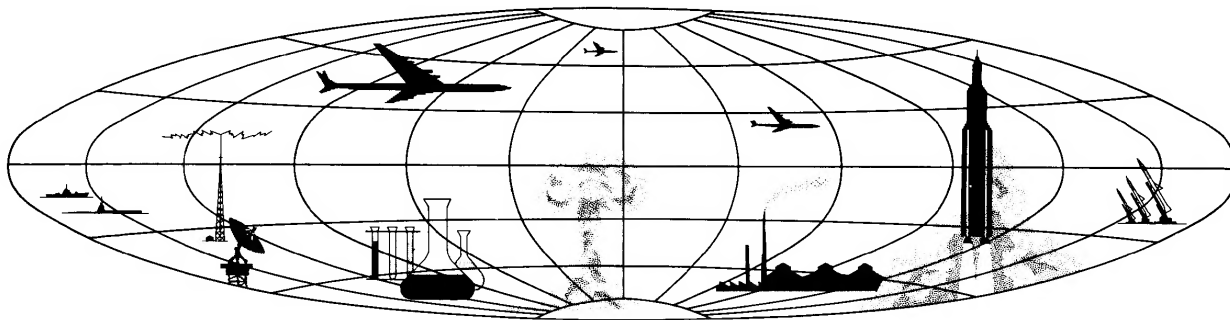


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PREFACE

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THIS MISSION COVERAGE INDEX (MCI) LISTS THE INTELLIGENCE TARGETS IMAGED ON THE PHOTOGRAPHY OF [REDACTED] MISSIONS 1289, 1296 DATED 12 DEC 1964, 1301 DATED 14 DEC 1964, AND 1290 DATED 15 DEC 1964 COVERING LAOS. ITEMS ARE ARRANGED IN THREE SECTIONS.

SECTION I PROVIDES SHORT DESCRIPTIONS FOR NEWLY IDENTIFIED TARGETS AND PREVIOUSLY REPORTED TARGETS SHOWING CHANGE, AND ALSO PROVIDES ORDER OF BATTLE INFORMATION.

SECTION II PROVIDES A LISTING OF THOSE TARGETS WHICH REFLECT NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES FROM THE MOST ADEQUATE PREVIOUS DESCRIPTION. THE MCI IN WHICH THIS DESCRIPTION APPEARS IS DESIGNATED BY THE APPROPRIATE MISSION NUMBER, PREFIXED BY THE LETTERS NAC AND APPEARING AS THE LAST ENTRY ON THE PHOTO REFERENCE LINE. MILITARY INSTALLATIONS WHERE THERE IS NO SIGNIFICANT CHANGE IN FACILITIES AND WHERE NO ORDER OF BATTLE CAN BE DETERMINED ARE LISTED UNDER THIS SECTION.

SECTION III PROVIDES A LISTING OF THOSE TARGETS WHICH COULD BE IDENTIFIED BUT NOT INTERPRETED.

TARGETS IN EACH SECTION ARE ARRANGED 1) WITHIN THE COUNTRY ACCORDING TO SUBJECT, 2) WITHIN THE SUBJECT BY WAC AREA, AND 3) WITHIN THE WAC AREA BY GEOGRAPHIC COORDINATES IN ASCENDING ORDER. AN

EXPLANATION OF COLUMN HEADINGS AND PHOTO REFERENCES USED IN PRESENTING THE INFORMATION IS CONTAINED IN THE APPENDIX. THE MAP BASE USED (WHEN AVAILABLE) FOR THE DERIVATION OF COORDINATES IN THIS MCI IS THE LATEST EDITION OF THE AMS SERIES L509, SCALE 1/250,000, L004, 1/50,000, AND THE ATC SERIES 200, SCALE 1/200,000.

THE USER OF THIS MCI IS CAUTIONED THAT THE SCAN OF PHOTOGRAPHY WAS ACCOMPLISHED IN A RELATIVELY SHORT TIME AND OFTEN WITHOUT THE AID OF PRECISE ANALYTICAL AND MENSURAL TECHNIQUES COMMONLY EMPLOYED IN DETAILED PHOTOGRAPHIC ANALYSIS. CONSEQUENTLY, ALTHOUGH THE INFORMATION PRESENTED HEREIN IS ESSENTIALLY ACCURATE, ADDITIONAL, DETAILED ANALYSIS MAY SOMEWHAT ALTER PORTIONS OF THE INFORMATION.

SECTION I

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	Target	Coordinates	WAC	Target Numbers	
				BE	NPIC
	-LAOS-				
	MILITARY INSTALLATIONS				
25X1D	BAN DONG AREA, MILITARY ACTIVITY: 0.2 NM NW OF BAN DONG ON THE WEST SIDE OF ROAD AT UTM [REDACTED]	1744N 10507E	0617		476-C
25X1D	ONE LARGE AND ONE SMALL BUILDING OBSERVED. THE 6-GUN AAA SITE AT UTM [REDACTED] IS ABANDONED.				
25X1D	[REDACTED]				
	NONG PET/BAN KANG VIEN AREA, MILITARY AREAS THREE MILITARY AREAS (REFERENCED FROM NONG PET).	1936N 10321E	0617		465
25X1D	AREA A (3.5 NM SW AT UTM [REDACTED] ON WEST SIDE OF ROUTE 7) -- POSSIBLE MILITARY CAMP CONTAINS 5 T-SHAPED BARRACKS/ADMINISTRATION BUILDINGS, 2 LARGE PROBABLE STORAGE BUILDINGS, AND 2 SUPPORT BUILDINGS.				
25X1D	AREA B (3.5 NM SW AT UTM [REDACTED] ON EAST SIDE OF ROUTE 7) -- FORMER, PARTIALLY ENTRENCHED, MILITARY CAMP CONTAINS FOUNDATIONS OF 20 RAZED BUILDINGS. AT LEAST 6 BOMB CRATERS OBSERVED IN AREA.				
25X1D	AREA C (4 NM SW AT UTM [REDACTED] -- CLOUD COVERED.				
25X1A	[REDACTED]				
25X1D	[REDACTED]				

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Target	Coordinates	WAC	Target Numbers	
			BE	NPIC
<p>MISCELLANEOUS</p> <p>ROUTE 7</p> <p>SINGLE-LANE NATURAL SURFACE ROAD IN GOOD CONDITION OBSERVED THROUGH SCATTERED CLOUDS FROM 19-30N 103-53E TO 19-39N 103-29E AND FROM 19-31N 103-20E TO 19-33N 103-24E. RIVER IS BEING FORDED AT 19-39N 103-29E WHERE BRIDGE IS OUT. NO VEHICLES OBSERVED.</p> <p>[REDACTED]</p> <p>ROUTE 8</p> <p>APPROXIMATELY 45 NM SEGMENT OF SINGLE-LANE, NATURAL SURFACE ROAD IN FAIR CONDITION, SUITABLE FOR LIMITED ALL-WEATHER TRAFFIC, OBSERVED FROM LAK SAO (18-11N 104-58E) SOUTH TO JUNCTION WITH ROUTE 12 (17-33N 105-10E). NO VEHICLES OBSERVED.</p> <p>[REDACTED]</p> <p>ROUTE 12</p> <p>SINGLE-LANE, NATURAL SURFACE ROAD OBSERVED IN DRY, FAIR-TO-GOOD CONDITION FROM 17-33N 105-10E (JUNCTION WITH ROUTE 8) EAST TO 17-33N 105-15E AND FROM 17-30N 105-22E TO 17-35N</p>				

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	Target	Coordinates	WAC	Target Numbers	
				BE	NPIC
	-LAOS-				
	AIR INSTALLATIONS				
25X1A	LAK SAO AIRFIELD	1811N 10459E	0617	25X1A	113
25X1D	[REDACTED]				
25X1D	BAN BAN AIRFIELD	1938N 10333E	0617		159-A
25X1D	[REDACTED]				
	MILITARY INSTALLATIONS				
25X1D	BAN NHOMMARATH KEO AREA, AAA/AW POSITIONS	1734N 10510E	0617		365-C
25X1A	[REDACTED]				
25X1A	BAN NHOMMARATH KEO, MILITARY AREA	1736N 10509E	0617		365
25X1D	[REDACTED]			25X1A	
25X1A	LAK SAO ARMY BARRACKS	1811N 10459E	0617		113-A
25X1D	[REDACTED]				

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Target	Coordinates	WAC	Target Numbers	
			BE	NPIC
25X1A BAN BAN ARMY BARRACKS 25X1D [REDACTED]	1938N 10333E	0617	25X1A [REDACTED]	159

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	Target	Coordinates	WAC	Target Numbers	
				BE	NPIC
25X1A	-LAOS- MILITARY INSTALLATIONS BAN BOUNG BAU AREA, MILITARY AREAS [REDACTED]	1734N 10514E	0617		369
25X1D	[REDACTED]				

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APPENDIX

COLUMN HEADINGS

City, Installation--This column contains the name of the city or town nearest the installation, followed by the name of the installation. If the name of the installation is not known, it is titled according to its function. Where appropriate, the city and installation names are followed by a capsule description.

Coordinates--Coordinates are referenced to the SW corner of the minute square. When the subject installation covers a wide area, coordinates are given for the approximate center of the installation.

WAC--This column provides the World Aeronautical Chart number for that area in which the subject installation is situated.

Installation Numbers--This column is divided into two subcolumns. The first subcolumn lists, when known, the BE installation number assigned to the installation. The second subcolumn lists the installation number assigned by NPIC. Installation numbers, when used to reference an item, should be prefixed by the appropriate WAC number, since installation numbers are repeated from WAC to

WAC. For example, there is an NPIC target number 0499-15-A and an NPIC target number 0498-15-A. In each instance, the NPIC installation number is 15-A, but the installations appear on different WAC charts.

COMOR TARGET NUMBERS

Target numbers assigned by the Committee on Over-head Reconnaissance (COMOR), when available, are listed directly above the photo reference data.

PHOTO REFERENCE DATA

The photo reference data indicates the frame(s) on which the installation appears.

CONDITIONS AFFECTING PHOTOGRAPHY

Following the photo reference data, symbols indicate conditions which affect the appearance of the installation on the photography. The symbols are: C (clear); SC (scattered clouds); HC (heavy clouds); SC-HC (scattered-to-heavy clouds); H (haze); CS (cloud shadow); SD (semi-darkness); O (obliquity); and PQ (poor image quality).

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